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# REQUIREMENTS FOR MICN CERTIFICATION

#### **PURPOSE**

To define the requirements for Mobile Intensive Care Nurse (MICN) certification within the ICEMA Region

#### **PROCEDURE**

## **Initial MICN Certification**

- 1. Possess a current California RN License
- 2. Successfully complete the ICEMA approved MICN course with a passing score of eighty percent (80%), and within six (6) months of course completion, submit the appropriate ICEMA application with:
  - a. Fee as set by ICEMA
  - b. Written verification of employment at a designated Base Hospital within the ICEMA Region
  - c. Copy of front and back of a current, signed ACLS Card
  - d. Copy of front and back of current California RN License
  - e. Photo taken at ICEMA. Applicant may submit a driver's license size photo (no tinted glasses or hats) with their application.
- Upon completion of 1 and 2 above, the applicant will be scheduled to take the ICEMA exam.
- 4. Upon passing the ICEMA written exam with a score of eighty percent (80%), a provisional MICN card will be issued.
  - a. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA written exam on the first attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee and re-take the exam with a score of 85%.
  - b. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA written exam on the second attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee, and provide documentation of eight (8) hours of remedial training given by their PLN/Medical Director relating to ICEMA protocols, policies/procedures given by their PLN and pass the ICEMA exam with a score of 85%.
  - c. If the candidate fails to pass the ICEMA exam on the third attempt, the ICEMA Medical Director will review the candidate's application to determine additional training requirements.
- 5. A provisional MICN may function under the direct supervision of either the Base Hospital MD, PLN, or ICEMA approved designee for a maximum of six (6) months. The supervising individual must sign all MICN call forms. This timeframe may be extended upon receipt of a request in writing from either the candidate or PLN outlining any extenuating circumstances.
- 6. The PLN will choose three (3) tapes for review (one trauma, one medical and one other) and submit them to their partnered Base Hospital PLN for review.
- 7. When three (3) tapes meet ICEMA criteria, a MICN card will be issued with the same expiration date as the candidates RN license.
- 8. Failure to complete the entire process within one (1) year of application date constitutes failure of the entire process. The timeframe may be extended by the ICEMA Medical Director upon receipt of a request in writing from either the candidate or PLN outlining any extenuating circumstances.

## Continuous MICN Certification

- 1. Possess a current California RN License and current ICEMA MICN certification.
- 2. Submit the appropriate completed ICEMA application with:
  - a. Written verification of employment at a designated Base Hospital within the ICEMA Region
  - b. ICEMA approved fee

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- c. Copy of front and back of a current, signed ACLS Card
- d. Copy of front and back of current California RN License
- e. Copy of documentation of eight (8) hours of field time
- f. Copy of documentation of one (1) ICEMA approved Skills Day
- g. Copy of documentation of six (6) hours of field care audits obtained within the ICEMA region
- h. Copy of documentation of two (2) different Annual Curriculum Classes Jan 1 to Dec 31 each year
- i. Continuous certification applicants not meeting the ARC requirement must pay the ICEMA approved fee and successfully pass the ICEMA written examination with a score of 80%.
- j. Photo taken at ICEMA. Applicant may submit a driver's license size photo (no tinted glasses or hats) with their application.
- 3. If the certification has lapsed for more than one (1) year, the applicant must comply with the above Initial Certification Procedures #1, 3-8

#### **Inactive MICN Certification**

- 1. Maintain a current California RN License
- 2. Submit the appropriate completed ICEMA application with all of the following documentation every two (2) years of inactivation.
  - a. Copy of front and back of a current, signed ACLS Card
  - b. Copy of front and back of current California RN License
  - c. Copy of documentation of one (1) ICEMA approved Skills Day taken during each year of inactivation.
  - d. Copy of documentation of four (4) hours of field care audits obtained within the ICEMA region for every year of inactivation.
  - e. Copy of documentation of one (1) ICEMA Annual Curriculum Class during each calendar year of inactivation

# **Return to Active MICN Status**

- 1. Submit the appropriate ICEMA application with:
  - a. Copies of documentation of inactive MICN Certification requirements
  - b. Written verification of employment at a designated Base Hospital within the ICEMA Region.
  - c. Fee as set by ICEMA
  - d. Copy of front and back of a current, signed ACLS Card
  - f. Copy of front and back of current California RN License
  - g. Photo taken at ICEMA. Applicant may submit a driver's license size photo (no tinted glasses or hats) with their application.
- 2. Upon receipt of above documentation, the candidate will be scheduled for the ICEMA exam
- 3. A provisional MICN care will be issued with the cardholders' previous MICN number upon passing the ICEMA Written Exam with a score of 80%.
  - a. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA written exam on the first attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee and re-take the exam with a score of 85%.
  - b. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA written exam on the second attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee, and provide documentation of eight (8) hours of remedial training given by their PLN or Medical Director relating to ICEMA protocols, policies/procedures and pass the ICEMA exam with a score of 85%.
  - c. If the candidate fails to pass the ICEMA exam on the third attempt, the applicant will have to re-take and pass the ICEMA approved MICN course.
- 4. A provisional MICN may function under the direct supervision of either the Base Hospital MD, PLN, or ICEMA approved designee for a maximum of six (6) months. The supervising individual must sign all MICN call forms.
- 5. After obtaining a provisional MICN, the individual must complete eight (8) hours of field time

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6. The PLN will choose three (3) tapes for review (one trauma, one medical and one other) and submit them to their partnered Base Hospital PLN for review.

- 7. When three (3) tapes meet ICEMA criteria, a MICN card will be issued with the same expiration date as the candidates RN license.
- 8. Failure to complete the entire process within one (1) year of application date constitutes failure of the entire process. The timeframe may be extended by the ICEMA Medical Director upon receipt of a request in writing from either the candidate or PLN outlining any extenuating circumstances.

# Certification by Challenge Examination

- 1. Possess a current California RN License.
- 2. Meet one (1) of the following eligibility requirements:
  - a. MICN in another county within previous twelve (12) months.
  - b. MICN in ICEMA Region, but has let certification expire within the previous forty-eight (48) months, and has not fulfilled requirements for inactive MICN status.
- 3. Submit the appropriate ICEMA application with:
  - a. Fee as set by ICEMA.
  - b. Written verification of employment at a designated Base Hospital within the ICEMA Region.
  - c. Copy of front and back of a current, signed ACLS Card.
  - d. Copy of front and back of current California RN License.
  - e. Photo taken at ICEMA when application is submitted. Applicant may submit a driver's license size photo (no tinted glasses or hats) with their application.
- 4. Upon completion of 1-3 above, the applicant will be scheduled to take the ICEMA written exam.
- 5. Upon passing the ICEMA written exam with a minimum score of 80%, a provisional MICN card will be issued.
  - a. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA written exam on the first attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee and re-take the exam with a minimum score of 85%.
  - b. A candidate who fails to pass the ICEMA written exam on the second attempt will have to pay the ICEMA approved fee, and provide documentation of eight (8) hours of remedial training in relation to ICEMA protocols, policies/procedures given by their PLN and pass the ICEMA exam with a minimum score of 85%.
  - c. If the candidate fails to pass the ICEMA exam on the third attempt, the ICEMA Medical Director will review the candidate's application to determine additional training requirements.
- 6. The individual may then function as a provisional MICN under the direct supervision of either the Base Hospital MD, PLN, or ICEMA approved designee. The supervising individual must sign all MICN call forms.
- 7. The PLN will choose three (3) tapes for review (one trauma, one medical and one other).
- 8. When three (3) tapes meet ICEMA criteria, a MICN card will be issued with the same expiration date as the candidates RN license.
- 9. Failure to complete the entire process within one (1) year of application date constitutes failure of the entire process. The timeframe may be extended by the ICEMA Medical Director upon receipt of a request in writing from either the candidate or PLN outlining any extenuating circumstances.

ICEMA Medical Arrector Date

ICEMA Executive Director Date